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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
COMMUNICATION MESSAGE FORM

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4/17/86

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TO TO FBI NEW YORK (194C-526)

ATTENTION: ELSUR COORDINATOR

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12 UNCLAS E F T O

12 RUNNEMEDE

RE NY TELETYPE TO FBIHQ DATED 4/4/86.

10 FBIHQ ELSUR INDEX SEARCHED 4/15/86 BY [REDACTED]

10 [REDACTED] FOR MEADE H. ESPOSITO; [REDACTED]

8 [REDACTED]

SEARCH WAS FOR

6 PREVIOUS TITLE III APPLICATIONS INDEXED IN FBIHQ ELSUR

INDEX. NO INDEX REFERENCES WERE LOCATED, EXCEPT AS

4 FOLLOWS: ST

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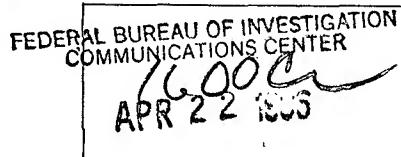
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2 - ELSUR INDEX, RMD

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12 NO DETERMINATION COULD BE MADE AT FBIHQ ELSUR INDEX  
10 AS TO WHETHER OR NOT THE ABOVE ARE IDENTICAL WITH THE SUBJECTS  
10 OF THE REQUEST. THAT DETERMINATION AND ANY RESULTANT LEADS  
10 WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF NY.

8 PRIOR TO THE DISSEMINATION OF ANY OF THE ABOVE MATERIAL,  
6 NY IS INSTRUCTED TO COORDINATE SUCH DISSEMINATION WITH  
6 THE APPROPRIATE SECTION OF THE CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION  
4 (CID), FBIHQ, AS WELL AS ANY AFFECTED BUREAU FIELD OFFICES,  
4 IN ORDER TO EFFECTIVELY CONTROL THE POSSIBLE DISCLOSURE  
2 OF SENSITIVE INFORMATION.

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## ROUTE IN ENVELOPE

TO: Records Management Division, ELSUR Index

Date 4/15/86FROM:  CID  LCD  INTD  RMD  Other \_\_\_\_\_  
(specify)Priority:  Expedite, will pick up;  
 Routine  
 Date needed: \_\_\_\_\_

## REQUEST FOR SEARCH OF ELSUR INDEX FOR THE PURPOSE OF:

 Title III Application  FBI  DEA  
 FISC Application  
 Legal Motion (DOJ)  
 FOIPA SPIN/DAPLI  
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 Investigative Lead  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_b6  
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(One of the above must be checked before search will be conducted.)

Requesting/Authorizing Agent

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NAME; TELEPHONE #; VIN; OR  
ADDRESS TO BE SEARCHED

KNOWN ALIASES

SEARCH RESULTS

Meade H. Esposito

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4/15/86

Searched by

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FBI/DOJ

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INBOX.12 (#7472)

TEXT: VZCZCNY0154

PP HQ

DE NY #0154 136243Z

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R 162313Z MAY 86

FM FBI NEW YORK (194C-526) (P) (C-12)

TO DIRECTOR FBI PRIORITY

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UNCLAS SECTION 1 OF 3

RUNNEMEDE, HOBBS ACT-CPO; RICO; OO: NEW YORK

THE PURPOSE OF THIS COMMUNICATION IS A REQUEST TO EXTEND THE  
APPROVAL FOR

TO BE UTILIZED IN SUPPORT OF CAPTIONED INVESTIGATION.

194-5545-289  
ON NOVEMBER 15, 1985, FBIHQ APPROVED

TO BE UTILIZED FOR SURVEILLANCE,

SPOT CHECKS, ANTICIPATED OPERATIONS, AND DEBRIEFINGS OR OTHER  
COVERAGE OF TITLE III'S BEING OPERATED IN CAPTIONED MATTER. 15 JUN 86

SEE CID ADDENDUM - PAGES 20 & 21

REC'D/AM: 5/21

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'SYNOPSIS OF INVESTIGATION

INVESTIGATION PREDICATED UPON INFORMATION THAT MEADE ESPOSITO, FORMER CHAIRMAN OF THE KINGS COUNTY (BROOKLYN) DEMOCRATIC PARTY, AND OTHERS HAVE BEEN ENGAGED, ARE NOW, AND WILL BE ENGAGED IN ACTIVITY INVOLVING THE CORRUPT USE OF ESPOSITO'S INFLUENCE OVER PUBLIC OFFICIALS, ASPIRANTS TO PUBLIC OFFICE AND/OR EMPLOYMENT, PARTY MEMBERS AND OTHERS, TO EXTORT MONEY OR OTHER THINGS OF VALUE IN VIOLATION OF THE PUBLIC TRUST.

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3. ISSUANCE OF 100 PLUS SUBPOENAS

4. INTERVIEWS/SUBPOENAS TO BE CARRIED OUT

5. SURVEILLANCE OF

6. SURVEILLANCE OF

DURING JUNE, JULY, AUGUST, AND SEPTEMBER THE FOLLOWING STEPS  
MUST BE TAKEN:

1. SERVE AN ADDITIONAL SEVENTY-FIVE (75) PLUS SUBPOENAS TO  
INDIVIDUALS/BUSINESSES.
2. REVIEW RECORDS FOR EVIDENTIARY VALUE.

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INBOX.14 (#7474)

TEXT:

VZCZCNY0156

PP HQ

DE NY #0156 1362432

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3. PREPARATION OF INDIVIDUALS TESTIFYING BEFORE THE FEDERAL  
GRAND JURY.

4. DEVELOPE INFORMANTS/COOPERATING WITNESSES.

5. OBTAIN INDICTMENTS OF ESPOSITO [REDACTED] BY SEPTEMBER 30,  
1986.

JUDICIAL CORRUPTION

COMMENCING CONTEMPORANEOUSLY WITH THE ABOVE ASPECTS A MAJOR  
EFFORT WILL BE INITIATED TOWARD THE DEVELOPMENT OF INDICTMENTS IN

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THE AREA OF JUDICIAL CORRUPTION.

THE FOLLOWING AREAS WILL BE ADDRESSED:

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MEADE ESPOSITO

THERE IS NO SET TIME FRAME FOR INDICTMENT IN THESE AREAS NOR  
ARE NUMBERS OF INDICTMENTS PREDICTABLE.

TO CONDUCT THE ABOVE INVESTIGATION THE FOLLOWING STEPS WILL BE  
TAKEN:

1. ISSUANCE OF [REDACTED] SUBPOENAS/INTERVIEWS.

2. [REDACTED]

3. PREPARATION OF [REDACTED] INDIVIDUALS FOR FEDERAL GRAND JURY  
TESTIMONY.

4. REVIEW RECORDS/EVIDENCE.

5. DEVELOP INFORMANTS/COOPERATING WITNESSES.

6. OBTAIN INDICTMENTS.

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AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE, A NUMBER OF OTHER AREAS MUST BE  
ADDRESSED. THESE AREAS INVOLVE ALLEGATIONS OF CRIMINAL ACTIVITY BY  
THE FOLLOWING:

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DUE TO ITS EXTREMELY SENSITIVE NATURE, THIS INVESTIGATION HAS BEEN ENTIRELY COVERT TO AVOID EXPOSURE. INVESTIGATION THUS FAR HAS BEEN PRODUCTIVE. FOR SURVEILLANCES [redacted]

[redacted]

OTHER PRIORITY INVESTIGATIVE COMMITMENTS AND MANPOWER CONSTRAINTS PRECLUDE INCREASES OF SPECIAL OPERATIONS SURVEILLANCE ASSISTANCE. ONE TEAM IS ALREADY SUBSTANTIALLY COMMITTED TO THIS INVESTIGATION. IMMEDIATE SURVEILLANCE NEEDS ARISE WHICH MUST BE ADDRESSED BY THE SUBSTANTIVE SQUAD. A CHECK OF OTHER NYO SUPERVISORS DETERMINED THAT NO VEHICLES ARE AVAILABLE TO MEET THE PARTICULAR NEEDS OF THIS INVESTIGATION.

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ADDENDUM: CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION (CID) RSC:daJ 5/19/86  
*Day*

New York is requesting authority to extend approval for  
[redacted]  
to be utilized in support of this investigation. Initial FBIHQ  
approval for New York to [redacted]  
[redacted]

This investigation involves information that Meade Esposito, former Chairman of the Kings County (Brooklyn) Democratic Party, and others have been engaged, are now, and will be engaged in activity involving the corrupt use of Esposito's influence over public officials, aspirants to public office and/or employment, party members and others, to extort money or other things of value in violation of the public trust.

[redacted]  
These vehicles will continue to be used for surveillances which have proved essential and yielded positive investigative results in support of the total investigative effort. The use of Bureau vehicles poses a substantial risk because [redacted]  
[redacted]

Other priority investigative commitments in the New York Office and manpower constraints preclude increases of New York Office special operations surveillance assistance. One New York Office surveillance team is already substantially committed

to this investigation. Immediate surveillance needs arise which must be addressed by the substantive squad. A check of other New York Office supervisors determined that no vehicles are available to meet the particular needs of this investigation.

CID concurs with New York's request to extend approval of [redacted] to protect the covert nature and assure discreet surveillance and other operational facets of this investigation.

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<i>C</i>	Adm. Servs. _____	Intelligence _____
	Crim. Inv. <i>7/21/00</i>	Legal Coun. _____
Director _____	Ident. _____	Off. of Cong. & Public Affs. _____
Exec. AD-Adm. _____	Inspection _____	Rec. Mgmt. _____
Exec. AD-Inv. _____	Intell. _____	Tech. Servs. _____
Exec. AD-LES _____		Training _____

Teletype from the New York Division dated 5/17/86

Re: RUNNYMEDE;  
HOBBS ACT-CPO;  
RICO  
OO: NEW YORK

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ADDENDUM: ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIVISION (ASD) 5/20/86 *JES:gdk* JES:gdk

The ASD concurs with the New York Division request to continue to [redacted] in connection with the Runnymede investigation. [redacted]

[redacted] in accordance with the guidelines as set forth in the Manual of Administrative Operations and Procedures, Part II, Section 6-6.10, Page 461. Funds for the rental of these vehicles should be obtained from the authorized case account.

The case Agent should ensure that the above-listed vehicles are properly serviced and all costs, along with the monthly odometer reading, should be forwarded to the New York Automotive Clerk.

RECOMMENDATION: That the New York Division be authorized to [redacted]

APPROVED: *SEK*  
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Crim. Inv. \_\_\_\_\_  
Director. \_\_\_\_\_  
Exec. AD-Adm. \_\_\_\_\_ Ident. \_\_\_\_\_  
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Exec. AD-LES \_\_\_\_\_ Intell. \_\_\_\_\_ Training \_\_\_\_\_  
Legal Coun. \_\_\_\_\_  
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& Public Affs. \_\_\_\_\_  
Rec. Mgmt. \_\_\_\_\_  
Tech. Servs. \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: Based on the attached communication and the concurring CID addendum dated 5/19/86. The CID should forward a copy of the outgoing communication to the ASD, Automotive Management Unit, Room 6863, and the Confidential Voucher Unit, ASD, Room 1388.